DEVELOPMENT SECRETARIAT

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The following Press Communique dated the 31st October 1934, issued by the Government of India, Department of Education, Health and Lands, is published for general information.

By Order,
M. VENKATANARANAPPA,
Secretary to Government,
Development Department.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, HEALTH AND LANDS.

PRESS COMMUNIQUE.

New Delhi, 31st October 1934.

The following information is published for the guidance of pilgrims proceeding to the Hejaz from India by the direct sea route :—

Programme of sailings.—Messrs. Turner, Morrison and Company, Limited, Bombay, have notified that their first pilgrim ship S. S. "Alavi" will sail from Bombay on the 12th November 1934, and from Karachi on the 16th November 1934. This will be followed by the following sailings :—

S. S. "Jehangir" from Bombay on the 29th November and from Karachi on the 3rd December 1934.

S. S. "Islami" from Bombay on the 18th December and from Karachi on the 22nd December 1934.

Special sailings of pilgrim ships after the month of Ramzan will be as follows :—

From Bombay.—S. S. "Islami" from Bombay to Jedda direct on the 24th January 1935.

From Karachi.—S. S. "Rahmani" from Karachi to Jedda direct on the 24th January 1935.

From Calcutta.—S. S. "Alavi" from Calcutta to Jedda direct on the 7th February 1935.

The steamers and sailing dates are announced only provisionally. The Company will make every effort to keep to the programme but retain the liberty to make such alterations and adjustments in it as may appear necessary. These sailings will be followed by other sailings at short intervals until the 28th February 1935.

2. *Supply of food to pilgrims during voyage.*—All pilgrims will be supplied with cooked food by the Shipping Company during the voyage and cooking on board in pilgrims' private stoves or *sigrees* will be strictly forbidden.

3. First and second class pilgrims will be supplied daily throughout the voyage with morning tea, breakfast, luncheon, afternoon tea and dinner and all the usual table service will be provided.

4. Deck passengers will be supplied daily throughout the voyage with food on the following scale :—

(*a*) *Morning tea.*—

(*i*) One cup of tea.

(*ii*) Two biscuits or one *chapati*, according to the pilgrim's choice.

(*b*) *Day Meal.*—

(*i*) Rice or *chapatis*, according to the pilgrim's choice, in such quantity as the pilgrim may require.

(*ii*) One plate of mutton and vegetable mixed, on alternate days.

(*iii*) One plate of vegetable dish, with or without dry fish, according to the pilgrim's choice, on days on which item (*ii*) above is not supplied.

(*iv*) *Dal* in such quantity as the pilgrim may require.

(*v*) *Kachumar* or pickles.

(c) *Afternoon tea.*—

One cup of tea.

(d) *Evening or night meal.*—

(*i*) Rice or *chapatis*, according to the pilgrim's choice, in such quantity as the pilgrim may require.
(*ii*) One plate of vegetable dish.
(*iii*) *Dal* in such quantity as the pilgrim may require.
(*iv*) *Kachumar* or pickles.

5. Every deck pilgrim will be required at the time of buying his ticket to inform the person who issues the ticket whether he—

(*i*) will take rice or *chapatis* for the day meal and the evening or night meal; and
(*ii*) whether he will or will not have dry fish with the vegetable dish to be served on alternate days at the time of the day meal.

6. Arrangements have also been made on every pilgrim ship to make available to pilgrims certain other articles of food on payment of extra charges at the rates specified below :—

Name of article.	Rate.			
	Rs.	a.	p.	
Fowl (whole) with gravy	1	8	0	each
Fowl	0	7	6	per plate
Kofta	0	3	0	,,
Mutton korma	0	3	0	,,
Biryani	0	7	0	,,
Kabab shami	0	0	9	each
Sardines	0	3	9	per tin
Egg (boiled)	0	1	6	each
Egg (fried)	0	2	3	,,
Khichri pulao	0	4	6	per plate
Curry and rice	0	6	0	,,
Rice	0	1	6	,,
Paratha	0	2	0	each
Chapati (without ghee)	0	0	9	,,
Leavened bread	0	0	9	,,
Biscuits	0	0	9	for two
Halwa or Pudding	0	3	0	per plate
Sweetmeats	0	6	0	per seer of 28 tolas.
Dal	0	1	3	per plate
Tea (without milk)	0	0	9	per cup
Tea (with milk)	0	1	0	,,
Coffee (with milk)	0	2	0	,,
Soda water	0	1	6	per bottle
Lemonade and other aerated waters (sweet) ...	0	2	0	,,
Lemon squash	0	2	0	per tumbler
Syrup (lemon)	0	1	6	,,
Syrup	0	12	0	per bottle
Butter	0	12	0	per tin
Ghee	0	12	0	per pound
Jam	0	6	0	per tin
Pine apple	0	6	0	,,
Condensed milk (Anglo-Swiss)	0	12	0	,,
Condensed milk (Cow's head)	0	4	6	,,
Sugar	0	2	3	per pound
Chutney	0	12	0	per bottle
Oranges	0	1	6	each
Sweet lemons	0	1	6	,,
Apples	0	2	0	,,
Plantains	0	0	6	,,
Hot water	0	0	6	per gallon

7. Any medicines or any articles of special diet for infants or invalid or sick persons brought by pilgrims for use during the voyage will, when necessary, be cooked free of charge in the ship's kitchens.

8. All cooks and attendants employed on board the ship for cooking and serving the pilgrims' food will be Muslims.

9. Every deck pilgrim will have to provide his own plates, cups and other receptacles in which food may be served to him during the voyage.

10. Pilgrims will be allowed to take water from the "waste-not" taps fitted to the tanks on board the ship during four periods of two hours each, namely:—

(*i*) 5 A.M. to 7 A.M.
(*ii*) 12 NOON to 2 P.M.
(*iii*) 4 P.M. to 6 P.M.
(*iv*) 8 P.M. to 10 P.M.

11. *Steamer fares.*—The maximum pilgrim fares to Jedda which Messrs. Turner, Morrison and Company, Limited, have fixed for the coming Haj season are given below:—

		Single with food.	Return with food.
		Rs.	Rs.
From Bombay	First class	412	626
	Second class	287	451
	Deck	118	178
From Karachi	First class	400	602
	Second class	275	427
	Deck	115	172
From Calcutta	First class	449	700
	Second class	324	525
	Deck	147	231

In the case of children under 10 years of age, these fares will be less by the following amounts, on account of food charges:—

		Single.	Return.
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
From Bombay	First class	19 8 0	39 0 0
	Second class	19 8 0	39 0 0
	Deck	5 0 0	10 0 0
From Karachi	First class	13 8 0	27 0 0
	Second class	13 8 0	27 0 0
	Deck	3 8 0	7 0 0
From Calcutta	First class	25 8 0	51 0 0
	Second class	25 8 0	51 0 0
	Deck	7 0 0	14 0 0

12 *Charges for the transport of pilgrims and their baggage from ship to shore and vice versa at Jedda.*—The arrangement for the transport of pilgrims and their baggage from ship to shore and *vice versa* at Jedda will continue as before and the Shipping Company will collect at the time of issuing tickets an extra sum of Rs. 3 per return ticket and Rs. 1-8-0 per single ticket on account of transport charges.

13. *Deposit for the purpose of defraying the cost of the return voyage from Jedda.*—If a pilgrim travelling by the lowest class available on a ship is not in possession of a return ticket, he will have to deposit with the Executive Officer of the Port Haj Committee of the port at which he proposes to embark for the purpose of defraying the cost of the return voyage from Jedda, the sum mentioned below:—

Port at which the pilgrim proposes to embark.	In the case of a pilgrim of the age of ten years and above.	In the case of a pilgrim under ten years of age.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Bombay	61 8 0	56 8 0
Karachi	58 8 0	55 0 0
Calcutta	85 8 0	78 8 0

The deposit includes Rs. 1-8-0 per head on account of the transport of the pilgrim and his luggage from the shore to the ship at Jedda on the return journey.

14. *Estimate of cost of the* 1935 *Haj.*—It has been estimated for the ensuing Haj season that at the current rate of exchange (One pound gold=110 Piastres; Miri=rupees 22) the minimum cost of pilgrimage, including a visit to Medina, to a pilgrim who proceeds to

Jedda as a deck passenger and travels on a camel in the Hejaz would be approximately Rs. 600 if he sails from Bombay, Rs. 595 if he sails from Karachi and Rs 655 if he sails from Calcutta. Substantial additions to these figures will also be necessary if the pilgrim chooses to adopt more comfortable means of locomotion and a higher standard of living. The minimum cost of pilgrimage from Bombay last year was estimated at Rs. 585. The estimate has undergone a slight increase this year owing to an appreciation in the price of gold in terms of sterling which produces a corresponding increase in the items of Sa'udi tariff, as the latter are fixed in terms of gold. As the estimated minimum cost would prove insufficient, should there be a further rise in the value of gold, it is suggested that no pilgrim, not even the hardiest and poorest, should start on the pilgrimage unless he has provided himself with at least Rs. 615. In the case of a pilgrim travelling second class on board the ship and in a motor bus in the Hejaz, the cost is estimated to be about Rs. 1,220 in the case of pilgrims sailing from Bombay, Rs 1,200 in the case of those sailing from Karachi and Rs. 1,295 in the case of those sailing from Calcutta. If the pilgrim travels first class on the ship and uses a touring motor car for journeys in the Hejaz, the expenditure would be approximately Rs. 1,795, Rs. 1,770 or Rs. 1,870 according as he sails from Bombay, Karachi or Calcutta.

(Sd.) RAM CHANDRA,
Joint Secretary to the Government of India.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

(KRISHNARAJASAGARA WORKS)

Notification No. 462-62—*K. S. S.*, 2739-40, *dated* 13*th December* 1934.

Under Section 48 (1) of Mysore Land Acquisition Regulation of 1894 as amended from time to time, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to withdraw from acquisition an extent of 0-3 guntas of wet land in Survey No. 190 of Mirle Village, Krishnarajnagar Taluk, out of the extent of 10 guntas notified in Government Notification No. 31-34—K. S. S. 117-20, dated 7th July 1930 (*vide* page 651 of the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 24th July 1930), as the bit of land is not now required for the purpose.

By Order,
N. SARABHOJA,
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
(Krishnarajasagara Works)
(In-charge).

RAILWAY SECRETARIAT

Notification No. R. S. 1310-11, *dated* 17*th December* 1934.

RAILWAYS.

Under Section 31 of the Mysore Railway Regulation IV of 1894, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, sanction the adoption on the Railways over which the Mysore Government, have jurisdiction of the following further amendments to the General Rules for working Open Lines of Railways, published with their Notification No. R. S. 2010, dated 25th January 1930, printed as an annexure to this order.

By Order,
V. GANESHA IYER,
Under Secretary for Railways,
(In charge) *Government of Mysore*

A. In Part I of the said rules—

(1) In rule 113, for clause (*c*), the following clause shall be substituted, namely :—

"(*c*) that the doors of all carriages and wagons are in proper working order and can be closed and fastened."